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The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

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Club Meetings Wednesdays @ Port
Panthers 5-30pm for 6pm start. BUT
check program on page 2 for what is
happening.

Club bank details - BSB 932-000
a/c 500 186 792

Past District Governors

Roger Dulhunty 1969-70

Ivan Meldrum 1975-76

Laurie Barber 2006-07

Debbie Loveday 2020-21

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Big Book Discussion!

Tonight we reviewed our biggest fund-raiser - the sale
of second-hand books.

This current year we have sold \$45,000 at our weekly
book shop at the Rotary Community Centre AND we
sold \$24,400 worth of books at our Giant Panthers
Booksale. Total \$69,400.

Our book shop manager Valda Sturrock (pictured right)
is stepping back from managing the Rotary Bookshop
and handing over to Tony Moore at the end of June.

(Valda will continue to support Tony)

Valda (ably assisted by Bob Cleland) has done a
remarkable job and has established a viable source of
income for our club that enables us to support projects
locally and overseas.

Tony is terrified at the prospect of stepping into Valda's
shoes & recognises that this task needs to be shared
with other Rotarians.

At the meeting tonight there were many helpful
suggestions & comments. However Tony Moore outlined his vision for our books for
the future. The tasks urgently need to be shared by others in our club. The
bookshop needs to be expanded, removing the wall into the storage area &
increasing the size of the book shop with up to 50% more books available to the
public. Tony recommends a committee to oversee our major book sale and the need
to pay for younger people to assist with the delivery of books to Panthers. It was
also suggested that the major book sale be made longer than three days! Also that
a smaller book sale be held in January in the Rotary Community Centre. Wi-fi to be
installed at the Community Centre. A constructive meeting with a call for ALL our
members to step-up and assist in the selling of books.

From Yumiko Ogawa now back in Japan

Yumiko was our second inbound exchange student in 1977-78 & recently visited
our club on the way to the Rotary International Conference in Melbourne. She sent
some photos from her albums of her visit in 1977-78. Two of her pictures & one
on the next page of our club board in 1977-78 are included (we hope we may in-
clude others in future issues of the P/W). Yumiko said - *"As I went through the
albums, lots of memories, I am so grateful to Rotarians in Port Macquarie. I
extend an invite to anyone visiting Japan (near Tokyo)"*



Yumiko being welcomed to Port Macquarie by her host Rotary parents.



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"Parents" for the past three months, Gordon and Mrs. Jean
Milne are pictured with Yumiko Ogawa, the Japanese Rotary
Exchange Study Student currently being hosted by the Port
Macquarie Rotary Club. Yumiko lent color to the Rotary
change-over, which she attended in her national dress.

75 YEARS
Making a
difference.

Club program - If you are unable to fulfil your role, swap with someone & advise Port Wheel Editor Kerry.

| Date | Program | Speaker | Program | Program Chr | Sergeant |
|-----------|---|-------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------|
| June 14th | One hour meeting followed by bistro meal | | Club Program Structure for 2023-24 ??? Tell us what you want???? | Deb & Ray | Glenda Barber |
| June 21st | One hour meeting followed by bistro meal | Gemma Sisia | Combined Zone Cluster Meet @ Panthers Amazing story of Gemma's orphanage in | Deb Loveday/ Ray Hodgson | |
| June 28th | Dinner meeting. RSVP Numbers needed + meal pay | | Our club Changeover - Deb Loveday to Ray Hodgson Big celebratory dinner meeting | Neil Porter | |

Meeting Welcomers - June 14 - Brian Calvert; June 21st - ???; June 28th - ???



Gemma Sisia

The School of St Jude, a free private school in Tanzania, educates disadvantaged, bright students to transform their communities and become the moral and intellectual leaders in their country.



The School of St Jude

Combined Rotary Meet on 21st - Gemma Sisia & School of St Jude in Tanzania.

RSVP by Monday 19th to Moira Magrath - magrathmoira@gmail.com
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Club News

Stay in the Know!

SOME DATES TO NOTE IN 2023

- There will be no club bulletin on June 14th & 28th. Changeover featured on July 5th.
- **CHANGEOVERS**
- **June 17 - PMQ Sunrise R/C** @ Mercurie Centro
RSVP by June 10th
www.trybooking.com/CIEAF
- **June 19 - Laurieton R/C** @ LUSC - RSVP by June 14 to PDG Phil Hafey
phil.hafey@gmail.com or 0411 240 211
- **June 20 - Port Macquarie West** @ Panthers.
 - RSVP via rotary@pmqwest.com.au by Friday 16th June
- **July 1 - District 9660 Changeover** @ Newcastle Exhibition Centre
- **July 4 - R/C Wauchope** - no info.

Greetings from Oscar in Paris

Oscar Boyer our inbound Exchange Student in 2017 (we shared him with Wauchope R/C) missed our Zoom meeting last week. He sends his greetings -

Hello everyone... I turned 23 last December and I am still studying in Paris at ENSCI les Ateliers in Product Design. After a semester break, Oscar travelled around France to meet various manufacturers in glass blowing, porcelain & ceramics. In September I started a double course to understand the entrepreneurial world.

My English helped (thanks to Rotary & Port Macquarie). I travelled to Israel with start-ups in particular in Tel Aviv. I also travelled to Milan for Design Week to show some of my works & now on the market. I have been back in Paris since February working with fashions. In September I start my memoirs & my diploma project.

My sister Clara (15 years old) joins me in Paris at the start of the school year in September to follow her training as a professional flautist. Kisses to all.... Oscar.



Oscar & Diana in 1977

Some legends in our Rotary Club in 1977



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The Board who will control the Port Macquarie Rotary Club for the ensuing year were installed at a delightful social function, held at the Port Macquarie RSL Club on Friday night of last week. They are, pictured from left to right: Keith Hardaker, Gordon Milne, Kevin Cain, Ron Limbert, Bill Stacey, Dave Beasley, Jack Hurrell, Brian Carr, Rex Lind, Frank Eldridge, Milton Bray.



President Debbie Loveday and President Elect Dr Ray Hodgson of the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie invite you to attend our

CHANGEOVER NIGHT DINNER

WEDNESDAY 28TH JUNE
6PM FOR 6.30PM \$40pp
BSB 932 000 A/C 500186792

Panthers Bay St. Port Macquarie
RSVP: pamoxy@gmail.com Before 20TH JUNE

Birthdays June 2023

25/6 - Geoff Slack
30/6 - Darryl McMahan

Wedding Anniversaries June 2023

24/6 - Gai & Bill Nixon